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AMENDMENT

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the Office Action of August 9, 2006, the shortened statutory period for response to which has been extended to December 11, 2006 (the first business day following December 9, 2006) by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.